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Thank you for your interest in the public hearing for Chapter 60-Kennebec River Fish Restoration Plan scheduled for 3:00pm on Monday, March 15, 2021. We are anticipating many participants, so this document is intended to help you prepare for the upcoming hearing.

- The hearing will be held remotely using Microsoft Teams. You will be given information on how to access the hearing by 12pm on March 15, 2021. Access information will be provided to the email address you provided at the time of registration.
- The proceeding will be recorded.
- The deadline to submit written comments on the proposal is March 27, 2021. You do not need to provide a comment at the hearing, unless you choose to do so. Comments provided in writing, or at a public hearing are given equal consideration.
- This is an administrative proceeding to take public comment on the proposal. You can access the proposal here: <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/laws-regulations/proposed-rulemaking.html> (Posted under December 29, 2020)
- The hearing will begin with an overview of the proposal and members of the public will have the opportunity to ask clarifying questions.
- The purpose of the question and answer session is to help people understand what is being proposed. It is not a time to provide feedback on the proposal. That will happen later in the proceeding.
- Given the purpose of the hearing and that many people have registered to provide a comment, DMR will try to keep the question session to 30 minutes. It is important that there is enough time for people to provide their feedback on the record during the comment portion of the proceeding.
- After the question session, DMR will open the record for public comment. DMR will take comments from individuals in the following order: 1) Those who registered that they are providing comment; and then 2) Anyone who is remaining and wishes to provide comment.
- Before providing a comment, your name will be read aloud, or if participating via dial-in phone, we will read the last four digits of the telephone number you provided at the time of registration. You'll then be asked to come off mute, state your name, and whether you support the proposal, oppose the proposal, or are neither for nor against (i.e. "neutral").

- Individuals will have ONE turn to provide their comment. Individuals will be given three (3) minutes to provide their comment. This time cannot be ceded to others.
- Unless you are giving a comment, you need to stay on mute.
- Questioning commenters, offering rebuttals, etc. is not permitted.
- Please be respectful! You may hear things that you disagree with, but you need to follow instructions and provide an opportunity for everyone to be heard. Any individual that is disruptive will be removed from the hearing.

Written comments can be emailed or mailed, by the comment deadline, to the respective addresses below:

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